

## Message Text

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INFO AMEMBASSY BRIDGETOWN  
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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PINS, PROP, ELAB, GY  
SUBJECT: BAUXITE STRIKE CONTINUES AT LINDEN

REF: (A) GEORGETOWN 2592, (B) GEORGETOWN 2587

1. THE SITUATION AT LINDEN REMAINS VOLATILE. THE  
BAUXITE STRIKE CONTINUES AS WELL AS THE SOLIDARITY STRIKE  
CALLED BY SUGAR WORKERS. ALTHOUGH THE GOVERNMENT-  
CONTROLLED PRESS REPORTS THAT OPERATIONS AT GUYBAU ARE  
BACK TO NORMAL, OTHER SOURCES INDICATE THAT AS MANY AS  
40 PERCENT OF WORKERS ARE STILL OUT. ON DECEMBER 21,  
GUYBAU ISSUED AN ULTIMATUM TO WORKERS THREATENING  
THEM WITH TERMINATION OF SERVICE UNLESS THEY RETURNED  
TO WORK IMMEDIATELY.

2. THE GUYANA TRADES UNION CONGRESS (GTUC) HAS MET WITH  
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GUYANA MINE WORKERS UNION  
(GMWU) TO CONSIDER ISSUES INVOLVED IN THE STRIKE.  
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THE GTUC CONDEMNED THE ACTIVITIES OF POLITICAL  
PARTISANS IN FOMENTING THE STRIKE. HOWEVER, THE  
GTUC CASTIGATED THE GMWU FOR NOT HAVING APPROACHED  
THE TUC EARLIER TO HELP MEDIATE THE STRIKE, AND  
ALSO STRONGLY ADVISED THAT MANAGEMENT OF GUYBAU  
AGAINST ISSUING SUCH ULTIMATUMS TO WORKERS.

3. THE INTERVENTION OF THE GTUC IN THE STRIKE  
IS A CLEAR SIGN OF GOG CONCERN. THE GOG, AS  
REFLECTED IN PRESS COVERAGE, AND THE GMWU HAVE  
STUBBORNLY REFUSED TO ADMIT THE SERIOUSNESS OF  
THE STRIKE. EVIDENTLY THERE IS STILL  
DISTURBING DISCONTENT AMONG THE TRADITIONALLY  
PRO-BURNHAM BAUXITE WORKERS.  
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